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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 867 By McDaniel

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Mary Lauren Anderson, Tennessee Division President of the Children of the Confederacy.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to excellence have distinguished themselves and have brought great honor to this state; and

WHEREAS, Mary Lauren Anderson is one such exceptional young lady who was recently elected President of the Tennessee Division of the Children of the Confederacy; she has displayed excellence as a leader and has proven to be an outstanding ambassador for Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the Children of the Confederacy is an organization of young people who are descendants of men or women who honorably served the Confederacy; the organization's goals include broadening the scope of interest in its projects that are Historical, Benevolent, Educational, Patriotic, and Memorial in nature; and

WHEREAS, the children of the Confederacy seek "to honor and perpetuate the memory and deeds of high principles of the men and women of the Confederacy, to observe properly all Confederate Memorial Days, to strengthen the ties of friendship among members, to serve

society through civic affairs, and to perpetuate National patriotism as our ancestors once defended their beliefs"; and

WHEREAS, a member of the Children of the Confederacy since 1995, Mary Lauren Anderson has proven lineage to fifteen Confederate ancestors; and

WHEREAS, Miss Anderson's capable leadership will no doubt prove to be an invaluable asset to the Children of the Confederacy and to their laudable ideals and causes, including their participation in such worthy endeavors as the Red Cross September 11<sup>th</sup> Fund and Make A Difference Day; and

WHEREAS, her goals during her term as President are to increase membership in the Tennessee Division and to encourage as large an attendance as possible at the Tennessee Division Convention, to be held at Pickwick Landing and in State Park on June 21-22, 2002; and

WHEREAS, Miss Anderson's display of character, devotion, leadership, patriotism, and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her family, her friends, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Miss Anderson's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and recognize Mary Lauren Anderson, Tennessee Division President of the Children of the Confederacy, thank her for serving as a supreme example of the high quality of Tennessee's youth, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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